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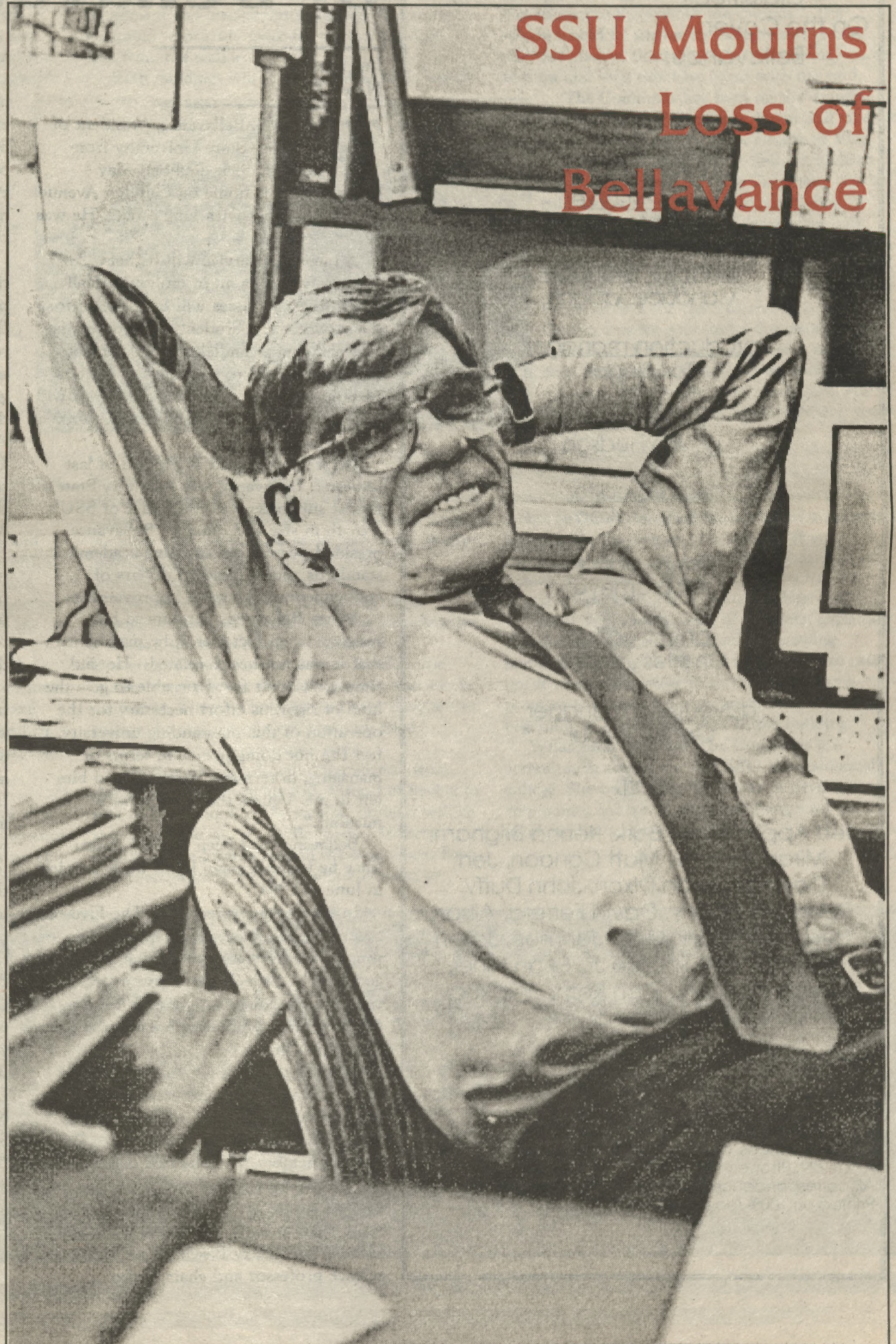
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SSU Mourns Loss of Bellavance

Jim Hudson
News Editor

Thomas E. Bellavance, president of Salisbury State University from 1980 to 1995, died Saturday afternoon at his home on Camden Avenue after a long bout with lung cancer. He was 62.

A memorial service will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium. Classes will be canceled for the service. The Student Government is also planning a candlelight vigil tonight. People are asked to meet at 6:45 in the Manokin parking lot. From there they will proceed to the President's House at 7:00 and disperse at 7:30.

Before he resigned at the end of last semester, Bellavance was Salisbury State's largest supporter and the leader of SSU's growth in size and quality. Bellavance presided over an era of rising academic standards and millions of dollars of endowments and capital improvements.

When Bellavance announced his resignation on October 3, he maintained that it was not health-related. He said simply, "I don't feel I am able to give the kind of rigorous effort necessary for the operation of this outstanding university. I feel I'm not doing justice in terms of managing, in terms of feistiness and bite left in me. I guess the street term is burnout."

Bellavance had been battling cancer since he found a small lump while shaving in June of 1994.

In his first interview with The Flyer on September 17, 1980, Bellavance said he wanted the job because "I think I can do a good job... I feel that I have a strong commitment to education, and feel that the presidency will allow me to succeed in that commitment."

To many, Bellavance did more than succeed, he has been credited with transforming SSU from a sleepy college into a bustling regional university.

"I remember when he first came here and he said 'We're not just going to process students through here. We really want them to leave with some skills and ideas,'" said Harry Basehart, political science professor and chair of the

University Forum.

"Dr. Bellavance has been the monumental force in making Salisbury the excellent school that it is. His death will be mourned by not only current students of SSU, but also by every student that has ever benefited from his 15 year tenure here," said Doug Zwiselsberger, president of Student Government.

Senator Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., a long time friend of Bellavance, said that "in his pursuit for academic excellence, Thom Bellavance helped create a true academic community, a community of scholars with an abundance of opportunities to learn and grow and a strong sense of family among the students, faculty and administrators."

William Hytche, president of the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, said, "He'll be severely missed not only on the Eastern Shore but throughout Maryland."

"He left an indelible mark on the university," said Francis Kane, professor of philosophy, "He transformed the university into a place where excellence was prized, and he transformed the look of the campus from drabness to beauty."

During Bellavance's tenure, SATs rose from 848 to 1,085, and applications for admissions increased from less than 2,000 in 1980 to 4,413 in 1994. At the end of last semester assets in the Salisbury State University Foundation totaled \$16.2 million, \$800,000 of academic scholarships were available to students, three of SSU's schools were endowed, and 74 percent of the faculty had achieved Ph.D.s or similar terminal degrees.

As a final accomplishment, SSU was rated a "Best Buy" in the "Guide to the Best Values in America's Colleges and Universities" for 1995.

Bellavance is survived by his wife of 32 years, Elizabeth; and four children, Eugene Bellavance of Salon, Ohio, Sarah Rasich of Dallas, Texas, Genevieve Bellavance of Narbreth, Pa., and Emily Bellavance of Salisbury.

Elizabeth Bellavance has asked that in lieu of flowers donations be sent to the newly renamed Thomas E. Bellavance Honors Program, c/o Salisbury State University Foundation.

SSU Under Construction

Work Progresses on The Commons

Kenna Brigham
Flyer Staff Writer

If you've been anywhere near the Guerrieri University Center, you can't miss the sprawling mass of steel located beside it. If you haven't noticed the latest addition to campus, you've had to have noticed that your enticing view of TCBY no longer exists. The Commons, the auxiliary building under construction, will house the new dining hall and a bakery. The Book Rack and the post office will also be relocated to the completed building.

Construction on the combination dining hall-conference services building began in the Spring of 1995. According to Sam Kamand, director of Project Management, the building is about 30% complete. At the moment crews are framing the steel structure of the building. Plumbing, duct work, heat and ventilation lines, and electric lines are being installed. Kamand commented, "There is nothing else they can do until they close off the building."

Although Mother Nature is trying her best to slow construction, 33% of the steel structure has been raised. Kamand estimates that the workers are two weeks behind the schedule developed by the general contractor. Contractors still expect to meet the projected completion date of May, 1997, according to Richard Yobst, director of Administrative Services. Kamand added, "Hopefully with a break in the weather, the crew can get back on track."

The estimated 20 million dollar building will have three floors. The Book Rack and post office will be located on the underground lower level. The dining hall and bakery will occupy the second level. Meeting rooms and offices will be on the third level.

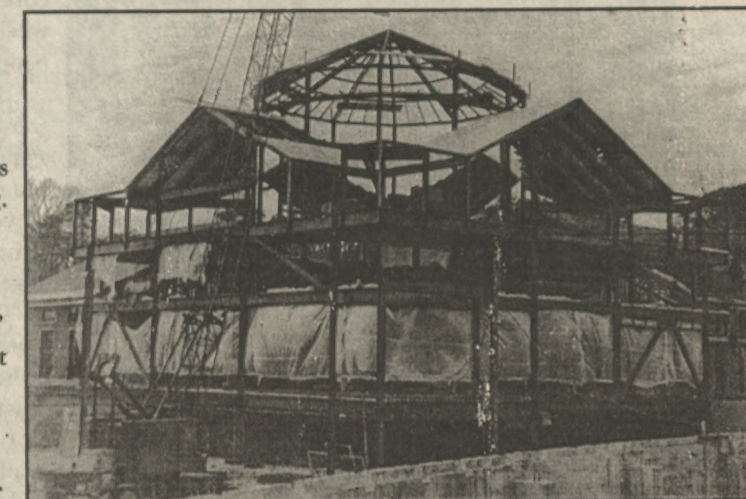
An interesting design element is the atrium located in the entrance to the building. A 60 foot diameter rotunda will span the first and second floors, according to Kamand. A fountain will be placed in the center for sound deadening purposes. Kamand explained, "This will be a heavy circulation area. It will soften the sound."

The building was designed to save energy. An "Ice Thermal Storage System" will be used to cool the building. Kamand explained, "It makes ice at night and it melts during the day, so mechanical

equipment isn't necessary." The latest electronic valve system will also be installed to save electricity. It involves motion detectors that turn lights on and off automatically.

A walkway will connect The University Center and The Commons to ease maneuvering between the buildings. Laborers have completed the work needed to link The University Center and The Commons. Kamand explained, "Electrical equipment and mechanical equipment had to be relocated to provide space for the loading dock link from the walkway."

Both buildings will share a loading dock, which



will be located next to the University Center basement. The loading dock will unfortunately eliminate some of the parking lot next to Dogwood Village. Yobst acknowledged, "We will still have the same need for parking as we have now. We're looking into all kinds of ways to solve that problem, but we haven't found any yet."

The current dining hall is no longer large enough to accommodate the need for more kitchen and work space. According to Director of University Dining Services Monte Bradley, the current conditions in the kitchen work area can be dangerous. The new building had been designed to enlarge the amount of work space for food preparation and various other tasks.

The new dining hall will differ slightly from that of the current dining hall. Instead of having to wait in line to look at the entrees, students will be able to go directly to specific foods. Thirteen kiosks will be located around the food court. Each will have different types of food, according to

Bradley. He stated, "It's not only more efficient, but it will insure faster service. There is also more of a variety."

The dining hall will continue to use meal cards, but the use of debit cards is currently in planning stages. Students would be able to use these cards at a number of campus locations, including The Book Rack, the new bakery, and the dining hall. Bradley stated, "We're trying to come up with a one card system for use throughout the campus." The system would be similar to the current method used for phones. Students would put money on an account and then purchase items with the card.

The Commons has been on the drawing board for almost five years, but it will take up to 20 years to pay for it, according to Vice President for Business and Finance Richard Pusey. He explained, "The Commons will be paid for by a fee that is currently being charged to students. The increase has been publicized every year." He added that increase will cover the additional debt service.

Pusey continued, "The reason that it is so inexpensive is the fact that the University Center, a parking lot and a dormitory were refinanced. If there had not been a major drop in the interest rate and we hadn't refinanced, we would have never been able to afford this building and we would have never built it."

The Commons will serve a number of purposes for the campus. The main purpose is to provide more room for classrooms and professor offices. Yobst feels that The Commons will be a signature building for the campus. He stated, "It is esthetically pleasing and also a functional building. I think the students are going to enjoy it. The dining atmosphere will be greatly enhanced."

Carol Williamson, dean of students, explained that the building isn't the result of growing numbers. She stated, "We're really trying to catch up. It takes a long time from the time when a program is written for a change and the actual beginning of the construction of the building."

Williamson feels that The Commons is a commitment to the fact that SSU is a residential college. She concluded, "It is part of developing a community and a real effort to giving students good food in a nice environment."

The Student Government is also planning a candlelight vigil tonight. People are asked to meet at 6:45 in the Manokin parking lot. From there they will proceed to the President's House at 7:00 and disperse at 7:30.

SSU Hit With Blizzard of '96, Part II

Slippery sidewalks and drifting snow make a long weekend for the grounds crew

Jim Hudson
News Editor

"On 2/5/96 SSU will be OPEN." That was the message that greeted students signing on to SSU's computer system last Sunday and Monday. For many students the news was especially shocking after rumor spread Sunday that classes would be canceled the following day.

Much of the confusion can be traced to a prank call to a local radio station which reported that SSU would be closed. According to Doug Zwisselsberger, president of Student Government, a student public safety officer heard the report Sunday morning. The student then passed the report on to several other university offices which had called public safety for closing information.

Messages were subsequently posted in the library and university center that classes were canceled. To the chagrin of students, however, the signs were incorrect.

The provost is in charge of making decisions about canceling classes, according to Dean of Students Carol Williamson. She said that while he often asks the advice of other top administrators the final say rests entirely with him.

One administrator, who asked to remain nameless, said that several key staff members opposed the decision to open Monday. The administrator went on to say there was concern whether sidewalks and parking lots were clear

enough to provide a safe path of travel.

The Flyer has received several reports of people slipping on ice. Luckily, none of these incidents involved serious injury.

The most dangerous conditions for most people



were found on area roadways. WBOC reported that 300 crews were working on snow removal on Delmarva during the storm. Even so, most roads were still snow-covered Monday morning.

Williamson said that the university has an inclement weather policy which asks students to

use their own best judgment during periods of snow and ice. Williamson said that the policy should give students some piece of mind if they feel they cannot make it in to class.

For the students who are on campus, it is the responsibility of the grounds crew to keep sidewalks passable.

The crew undertook a herculean snow-removal effort which began 4:30 Friday morning and was continuing at press time. Les Lutz, director of grounds and horticulture, said that the crew consisted of around 10 full-time members and a core of 8 to 10 students. By the end of the weekend, Lutz said he was forced to hire more people.

Besides the amount and duration of the snowfall, the grounds crew also had to deal with aging equipment. Of the three tractor-mounted snow plows, two are 25 years old. The other one is 10 years old. Lutz said that crews had to put snow removal on hold Sunday to weld cracks which developed in the two older blades.

The only other heavy equipment the university owns for snow removal is a backhoe and a small Bobcat loader. This left much of the work to be done with shovels.

Lutz said that the university hires private firms to plow the campus's 13 acres of parking lots. He said that while this is an expensive operation, it is still cheaper than if the university purchased large snow plows and did the work itself.

Opinion

We are writing this letter to express our profound disappointment at the article, "Textbook mixups vex students" by Kate Spinner, which appeared in the September 26th issue of The Flyer, and the more recent announcement from the Book Rack in the November 21st issue of The Flyer. In the first article, Ms. Spinner reports that the manager of the Book Rack, Stanley Shedaker, places the majority of the blame on the faculty for the problems with the book orders, i.e., faculty are late with book orders—hence they are the cause of most of the problems. This attitude is reiterated in the stunningly unethical, and insulting Book Rack announcement, where students are encouraged to pester their professors to hand in their book orders. In this announcement, tardy SSU faculty members are blamed for the inability of students to sell back their textbooks at the end of the semester. We are very disappointed that the Book Rack and The Flyer are propagating the myth that most problems dealing with the textbooks at the Book Rack are the fault of the SSU faculty, and that the Book Rack seems to have adopted a policy of open hostility towards the faculty of this institution.

First, what type of journalism prints this inflammatory type of allegation without checking the facts or soliciting comment from the accused? Printing such unsubstantiated statements demonstrates a stunning lack of professionalism on the part of The Flyer staff. Secondly, speaking of unprofessional (not to say, unethical) behavior, Mr. Shedaker's comments are a shameless example of passing the buck. He paints the faculty of this institution with an awfully broad brush. Both he and we know that his accusations are unfair and unfounded in many cases. Our situation is a case in point. The four of us taught approximately 400 students in the Fall semester. Textbook problems affected approximately 350 of them—in some cases for as long as four weeks in the semester. For example, textbook orders for Biology 121 and 122 were sent to the Book Rack on July 6, 1995 for the Fall 1995 semester. The same text is used for both courses. During the first week of classes, it was reported to us by our students, that there was an insufficient quantity of textbooks for these two courses. The textbook manager, Karen Kundell was immediately informed of the situation. Her response was that the problem had occurred because of her mistaken belief that only Biology 121 was being offered during fall 1995 semester, and thus she had ordered only enough textbooks for that course. The problem was eventually rectified, however, this serves as a case in point; none of these problems had anything to do with when we sent our book orders to the Book Rack, nor were any of these problems the fault of the publishers.

We are not writing to engage in name-calling or to point the finger of blame for textbook mix-ups completely at the Book Rack, but shame on them for not owning up to their mistakes, and for trying to use the faculty as their scapegoat. Ms. Spinner, we think there was, and continues to be, a news story in regards to the way the business of buying and selling the textbooks is conducted here at SSU. Unfortunately, your story fell short of uncovering and reporting it.

Dr. Chris Briand, Assistant Professor of Biology
Dr. William Grogan, Professor of Biology
Dr. Mark Holland, Assistant Professor of Biology
Dr. Evan Ward, Assistant Professor of Biology

Another Letter To The Editor:

I sincerely apologize to those whom I have offended or hurt with my previous letter to The Flyer (the December 12th, 1995 Snowman issue, page 5 top right signed DVM8). I was ignorant, immature, cynical, negative, destructive and generally without regard for those whom I might harm. For that I am truly sorry.

However, my letter must have contained some validity to get such attention. There are serious problems with Salisbury State University. I have personally demonstrated that it doesn't take a genius to see them. So rather than further tearing wounds, I am shifting my focus. With this letter I hereby start a movement for immediate positive change at Salisbury State University. Here is my plan:

First, I am hosting a EMAIL bitch festival for one and all to dial in and spill their gripes with the

University. Please try to be as constructive as possible with your negative commentary. Feel free to just complain, but problems with suggested solutions are the real monkey we're after.

Second, I will compile your woes into a list of possible demands. I will print this list in my next letter to The Flyer for you EMAIL approval and comment.

Third, I will circulate a petition containing the revised and approved demands for you to sign. This petition will be turned into the powers that be.

It's a simple idea. From what I've been told about student influence on campus policy, it should work. For those of you who have not read my last letter you might want to read it to see what all this hubbub is all about. More than likely it will give you a few ideas on where to start with your list. For those of you unfamiliar with the University

EMAIL system, get with it! Get your butt into a lab and ask one of the omnipotent monitors for help. Try it, you'll like it.

With hesitation I am revealing my EMAIL address. Should I find out tomorrow that I'm missing a couple dozen credits or that I've been reassigned to the basement in a freshman dorm or that I've already flunked Chemistry, I'll know why.

Now get on a terminal and tell this university what you think.

Yours very truly,

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Ansel Adams Exhibit at Fulton Gallery

Adams Views of American West on Display Through March 3

John Duffy
Flyer Staff Writer

Among the most recognized photo artists of this century, Ansel Adams' work is well known to many. His crisp and high contrast photographs of Yosemite National Park and other western landscapes are easily identified in art shops everywhere. But the breadth and scope of his work are often overlooked and usually unknown to the casual art buyer.

Salisbury State University's Fulton Hall Gallery is currently exhibiting a sampling of Adams' best photographs. Half owned by the University, and half donated by Carmel, California dealer Margaret Weston, the images in this exhibit provide a survey of Adams' best work

between 1921 and 1962.

Though many of the photographs featured were developed earlier in his career, a large majority of the images featured were printed or reprinted by Adams in 1980, just four years before his death. Adams, like most photographers, continually reprinted negatives, altering the image each time to modify the resulting print.

"Ansel Adams as a young man was trained as a concert pianist and he considered the taking of the picture to be the same as a composer writing a musical score," explains gallery curator Ken Basile. "He equated the printing of that negative with

a musician playing the music that the composer wrote. So what he was saying was that you could print a picture in a lot of different ways."

The 1980 prints in the



take in his work. Most known for his epic views of Yosemite National Park, Adams worked all over the southwest as well, and this is well represented in the Fulton Hall exhibit.

Clear in all the phases of his career is Adams' image of the American West, and his contribution to our modern view of the West as a limitless, powerfully beautiful setting. As one critic stated, Adams understood "that the landscape is not only a place but an event."

Adams photographed landscapes in their natural, pristine condition. "If you look at his photographs

collection give evidence to the greatest perfection in this process that Adams was likely to have achieved. The pictures are sharp, contrasts are crisp and deep. Prints of earlier photographs are much less accomplished in their development, but clearly point in the direction Adams was to

you won't see beer cans or trash on the road or even people for that matter. Many contemporary photographers do photograph the West in that way, showing the pollution and people," Basile commented. Besides presenting the American West in art, Adams was also a key player in the development of the Sierra

Club, serving on its board of directors for many years. Later in his life, he was more active in environmental and preservationist efforts than photography. He was an outspoken critic of Ronald Reagan's environmental policies.

But even as he was preserving the natural beauty he saw, Adams could be said to have contributed to its spoil. For with every epic image of Yosemite the public saw, the more vulnerable and trampled the place became.

"One of the things that concerned him was the fact that his photographs did influence people in the way they felt about our wilderness areas, but at the same time these photographs also encouraged people to come out and trash these wilderness areas," Basile explained.

The exhibit of Ansel Adams photography is on display at the Fulton Hall Gallery through March 3.

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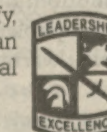
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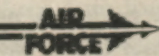
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LEADS Program to Begin Another Semester of Interaction

Dean of Students Office Short on Completed Applications

Steve Stakem

Remember the pride you used to take in having an older friend back in grade school. You felt important and special because someone older actually paid attention to you.

The LEADS program allows SSU students to become that special friend for an area youngster.

The program pairs one of a number of children with an SSU student based on a Big Brother/Big Sister model. The idea is for the SSU student to serve as a mentor for the child while forming a helpful and positive relationship with them.

The program was founded during the 1991-92 school year and involves children from Pemberton, Fruitland Primary and Intermediate Schools. This semester there are approximately 40 young students the program is hoping to match with those from SSU.

Since the program's outset the response from University students has been immediate and overwhelming according to Associate Dean of Students Barry M. King. More than 80 University students were matched with children during the

1992-93 academic year. The undergraduates carried out hundreds of hours with their young students and have helped to improve their attendance, academic performance and overall attitude.

Mentors meet with their child anytime during the school day during the semester although some students involve themselves more because the kids enjoy their company so much.

Michelle Rowe, a junior social work major, was a mentor for three semesters and describes the experience as nothing but positive. "I would go in and we would talk, read or I would help with school work. It made me feel good to know I was helping out," she said.

"They love when you come to see them. [The child] looks forward to seeing you and depends on you," says Julie Campbell, a senior majoring in marketing.

To become involved with the program mentors must have a true interest in working with a child and must be available to meet with him or her for at least one hour a week. Besides meeting on a weekly basis, phone contact is encouraged between mentor and child. In some cases Mentors made arrangements with parents to plan evening or

weekend activities.

As of Friday afternoon at 4:30 the Dean of Students office had received only nine applications and the Tuesday, February 20 deadline is approaching. All applications can be picked up and returned at the Dean's office. A brief orientation is also a requirement at the start of the program.

LEADS is open to all majors and is looking for more men to join the program since most of the children are boys.

As far as transportation from SSU to the schools goes Mentors will be placed in groups with at least one Mentor who can drive.

Being a Mentor is "not a hassle" according to Crystal Covington, a senior majoring in elementary education. "[Your] showing up means a lot to the kid, it makes him feel important," she said.

The LEADS program is looking forward to beginning another productive semester of interaction with Mentors and young students. For additional information on the program contact the Dean of Students office and Barry King at 543-6080.

Cold Weather Doesn't Chill Global Warming Threats

Scientists Still Uncertain About Its Impact

Jayme Hill
Flyer Staff Writer

In lieu of all the recent snow we have been blessed, or cursed, with here in Salisbury, you might well believe that the threat of global warming was just a passing fad.

Some scientists feel this is exactly what is to be expected of a greenhouse environment. William Stevens of "The New York Times" writes, "If scientists are right, extreme weather will be the hallmark of the changing climate, and may be the most common way in which people experience global warming."

The concept behind global warming is a rather simple one. Gases such as carbon dioxide, methane and others, given off by the burning of fossil fuels trap the long wave radiation from the sun in the atmosphere, creating a greenhouse-like effect.

Not so easily understood are the causes and the extent of global warming on earth.

"The general consensus is that global warming is occurring. The degree and amount [caused by] man is debated," says Dr. Elichia Venso, SSU professor and advisor for the Environmental Health Club. Debates stem from the fact that it is impossible, even with today's technological advancements, to make a sufficient model for long range weather predictions. This is partially due to the carbon dioxide trapped in the oceans which the models cannot account for.

No matter what the causes may be, the evidence of global warming is unmistakable. "Globally, the

nine warmest years since 1880 have occurred since 1980," said Dr. Brent Skeeter, SSU geography professor and climatologist.

Scientists also report that an .8 degree Celsius rise in temperature has occurred in the last century. That little bit of a change may seem irrelevant, but Stevens points out that "the average global temperature is only five to nine degrees higher now, depending on varying calculations, then it was in the depth of the last ice age."

Other evidence of global warming is the rising of sea level. Though the change in temperature has not been extreme enough to effect the continental ice sheets of the polar regions, it has effected some of the Alpine glaciers, some of which are in the U.S. After all, as Dr. Skeeter points out, "the sea level is rising, and that water has to be coming from somewhere."

The models have accurately forecasted a rise in the overnight low temperatures. This is because during the day the majority of radiation reflected back to space from earth is short wave radiation, while at night only long wave radiation is emitted back. Since the gases in the atmosphere retain long wave radiation, it is believed this retention will have more effect on temperatures at night. "The models predict that global warming will have an effect on night temperatures, and that is exactly what has happened," says Skeeter.

Like any pressing environmental issue, controversy is inevitable. For example, "World Climate Report" takes a different view of the subject. The report says "...a majority of scientists agreed it was not possible to attribute the observed warming of

about .5 degrees Celsius since 1880 to human impact," warning that "one should be careful about giving too much weight to the majority of scientists." The report labels those who believe global warming is causing weather changes "extremists" and claims the opposite, saying that temperatures will become less extreme.

Since global warming is happening at such a slow pace, it is hard to believe that it will have an impact. But according to Stevens, if harmful emissions are not controlled, some scientists expect a 3.6 degree Fahrenheit rise in temperatures during the next century.

Danny Smigal, a second year biology major at SSU, points out that "many plants can only exist in a small range of temperatures. Any change in temperature, extreme or not, could lead to the extinction of some plant species," he said.

With the myriad of other environmental threats is global warming really that serious? According to the Environmental Protection Agency, the answer to that question is yes. Along with such problems as air pollution, destruction of wetlands and ozone and forest depletion and contamination of drinking water, global warming is included on the EPA's top concerns list.

It seems like each time you turn on the television, open a newspaper, or tune in the radio, a new environmental issue is pointing to a negative environmental impact. Smigal says the issue can seem overwhelming, but that something can be done about it. "People underestimate their ability to make a difference. We need to take it one thing at a time."

The Stuart Sisters to Present "An Afro-American Journey"

Presentation to Teach About African-American Heritage

Erica Praedin
Steve Stakem
Flyer Staff

If you are like many college students, history may not strike you as one of the most interesting courses on your spring schedule. However, you might find yourself enjoying history if it were taught by two fascinating theatrical dramatists, singers, and dancers.

The Stuart Sisters do just that and will present "An Afro-American Journey" on Monday, February 19, at 8 p.m., in Caruthers Hall Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the SSU Office of Minority Affairs and is free and open to the public.

Blending spiritual, gospel, and contemporary music, The Stuart Sisters create an intriguing and exciting theatrical exhibition emphasizing the strong influences of Africans on contemporary African Americans through monologues, narratives, dances and vignettes.

Spanning the far away shores of Africa to the Transatlantic shores of America, The Stuart

Sisters will reveal the contributions of African kings and queens as well as the struggle and triumph of African-Americans over slavery. Throughout their elaborate presentation The Stuart Sisters exercise six costume changes, pull off surprise exits and entrances and encourage audience participation.

One critic referred to the production as an "informative, enlightening and moving experience" saying, "The focus of the performance is the engendering spirit, strength and power of the family."

The Stuart Sisters went on to become founders and directors of the Spring School of the Arts, a non-profit organization founded in 1980 on the concept of helping children learn through their creative abilities. The school helps spread the Sister's concept of "learning through the arts." The building is currently under expansion and upon completion will be a "state-of-the-art" facility seven times its original size.

Ardie Stuart Brown and Patricia Stuart Robinson grew up in west Philadelphia where they were encouraged by their parents to get

involved in various art and cultural events in their community.

The Stuart Sisters did just that and now, years later, have written and engineered several productions and continue to hold workshops and concerts throughout parts of the East Coast and Canada. Never forgetting their roots, The Stuart Sisters still reside in Philadelphia with their families.

"An Afro-American Journey" was born out of the necessity to educate children and adults of all races about the heritage of the African-American people. The Stuart Sisters feel their presentation "teaches, builds self-esteem and transfers history through story telling theater."

The Stuart Sisters say the lesson of their historical saga is found in "the majesty, struggle and accomplishments" of all African-Americans. A discussion following the hour long performance encourages questions and comments concerning the importance of these elements in our culture.

All students are encouraged to attend "An Afro-American Journey" which should prove to be an enjoyable history lesson for all.

Spring Lecture Series Features "Myth and the American West"

University of Washington Professor to Visit SSU

Robyn Bridge
Flyer Staff Writer

On Wednesday, February 21, at 7:30 p.m., in the GUC Wicomico Room, Dr. Michael Allen will speak as part of Salisbury State University's spring lecture series entitled "Myth and the American West."

Allen is an associate professor of history and American Studies at the University of Washington and an expert on early America and the frontier. The subject of Allen's speech will be "Trans-Appalachian Western Folk and Popular Heroes: From Colonel David Crockett to Sheriff Andy Taylor."

Allen is aware of America's fascination with folk heroes. "The trans-Appalachian West has provided [Americans] with many of these folk heroes as the trans-Mississippi West," he says. Allen will briefly trace the historic and folkloric lives of Daniel Boone, Mike Fink, Davy Crockett, John Henry, Casey Jones, Sergeant Alvin York, Charles Lindberg and John Glenn. He will also use video clips from the "Andy Griffith Show" along with popular stories from the western United States.

The "Myth and the American West" series will continue through the end of April and is a theme that University Center Director David Ganoe came up with. "I was interested



in the topics of Native Americans, and the environment. If you put those together it is hard not to get involved with the topic of the West," he said.

Other subjects in the series will include the

Lewis and Clark Expedition, the West's dynamic economic and sociological origins, and what the future holds for the region. Writer and poet John Haines will join the "American West" series when he reads from his collections, and Connie Stetson will do a one-woman performance of pieces drawn from the diaries of frontier women. America's western landscape will be discussed by Ann Zwinger, one of the few women naturalists in the country. Ganoe adds that SSU is "very fortunate" to have Zwinger here.

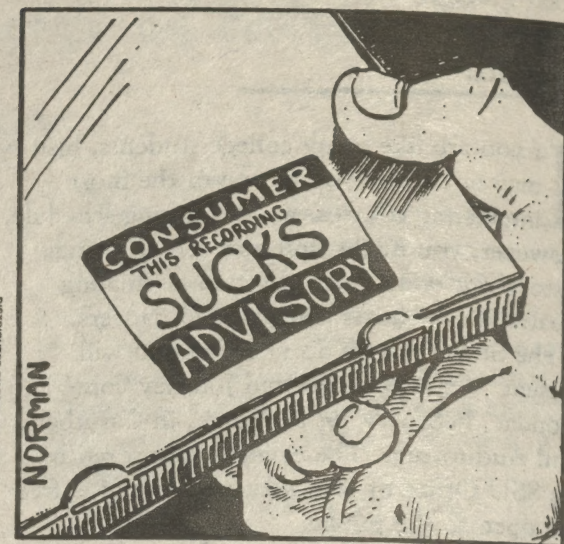
There will also be lectures on perceptions of Native Americans, and an appearance by Annick Smith, who was the co-producer of the film "A River Runs Through It." The last four parts of the series will feature a one-man show about Sierra Club Founder John Muir, a history of who really owns the American West, myths of such famous events as Custer's Last Stand and a slide presentation of a hiking expedition through the Continental Divide.

The "Myth and the American West" series is sponsored by the SSU Faculty Cultural Events Committee. For information on the lecture series call the SSU Public Relations Office at 543-6030.



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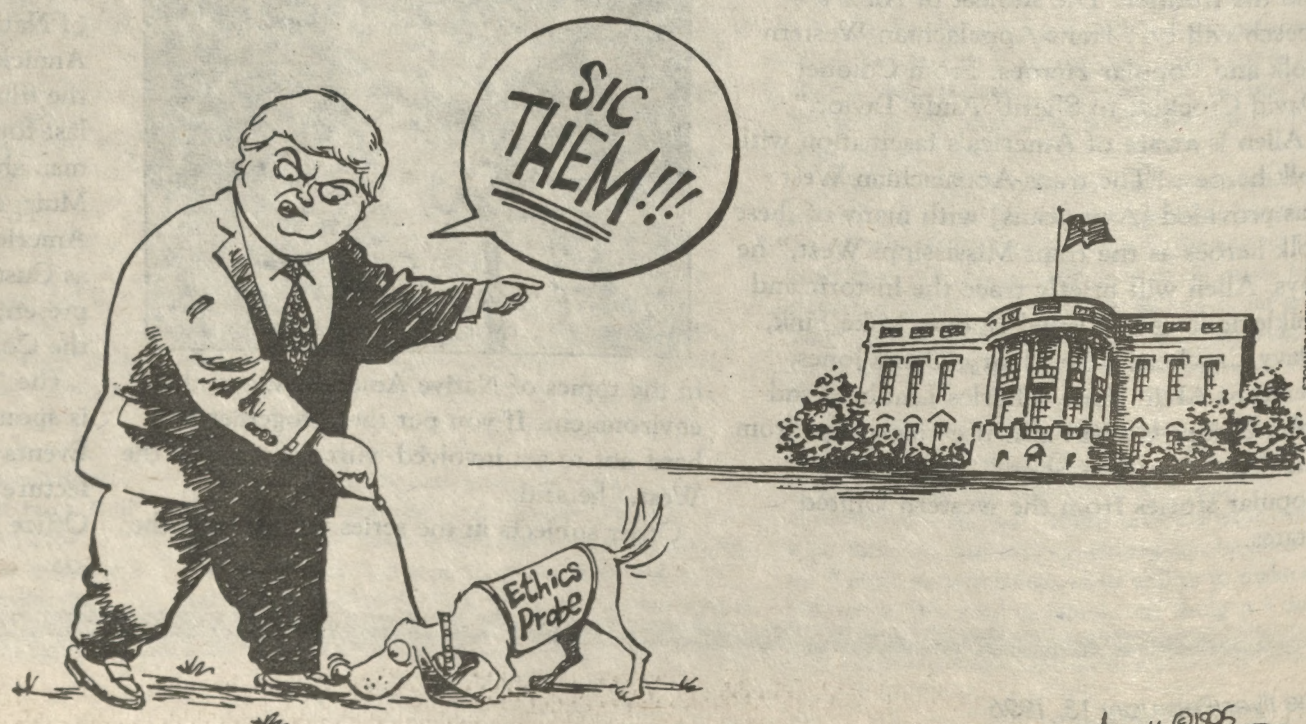
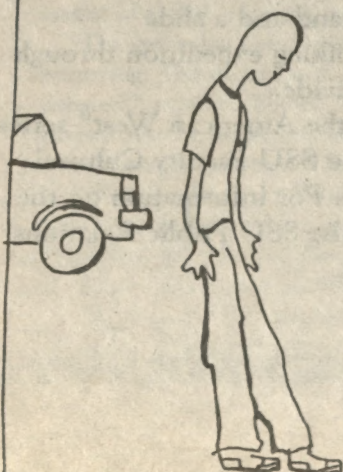
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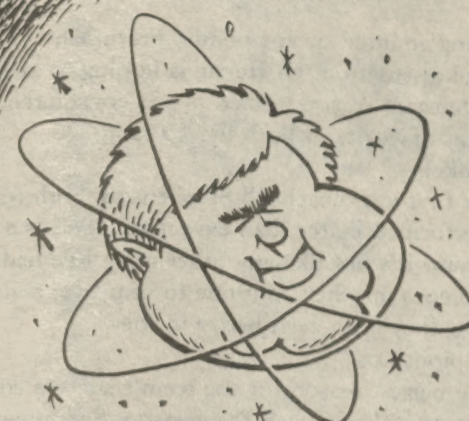
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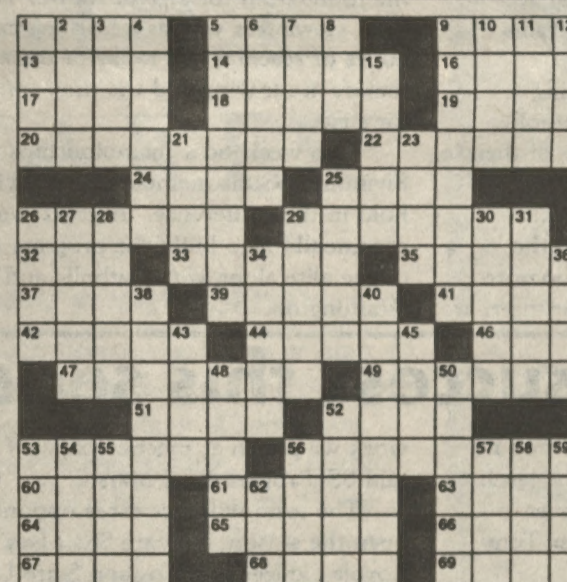
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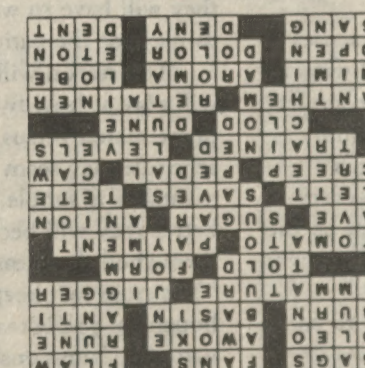
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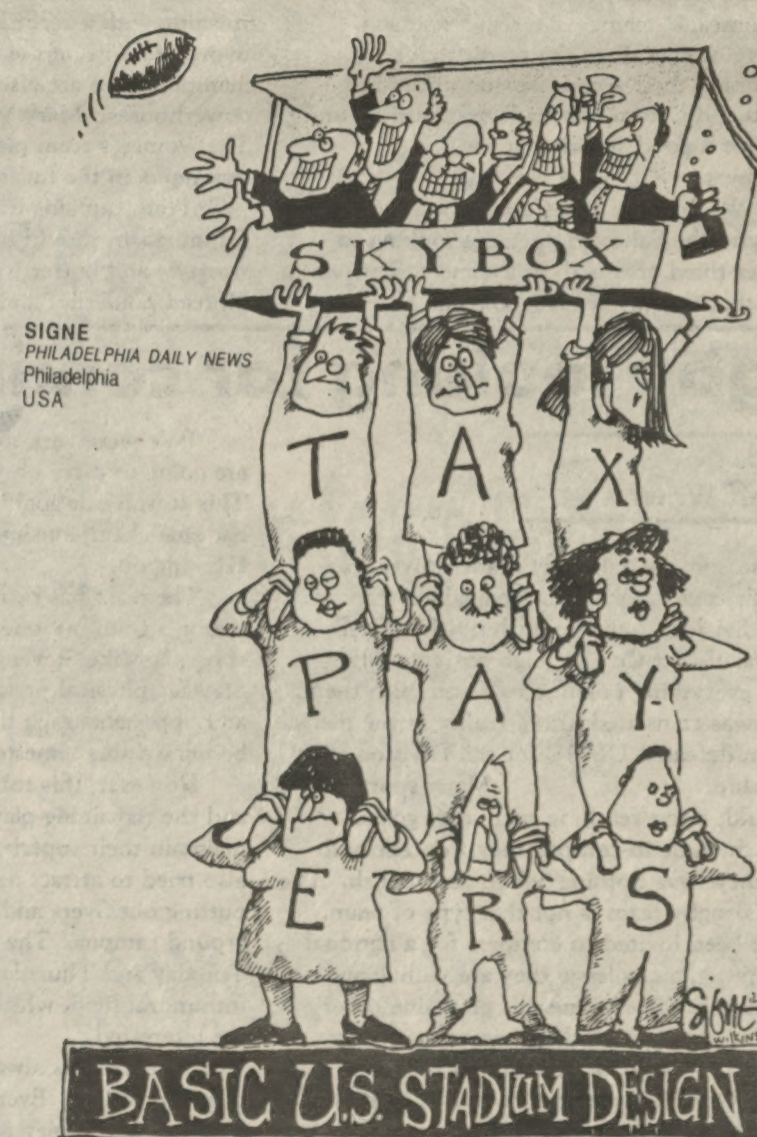
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Swim team gearing up for CAC championships

Brian Burden
Flyer Staff Writer

When February rolls around, sports fans start to think about post-season for winter collegiate sports. On campus, much attention is being given to both the girls' and boys' basketball squads, who are making runs at Division III tournament berths. One other sport is making its run for respect as well. The mens' and womens' swim teams are preparing for their final meet of the season.

The Capital Athletic Conference Mens' and Womens' Swim Championships are being held at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia on February 16-18. This is the last time that the whole team will compete together. In the coming weeks, those that qualified for nationals will continue their work. But for now, the team concept is still in effect.

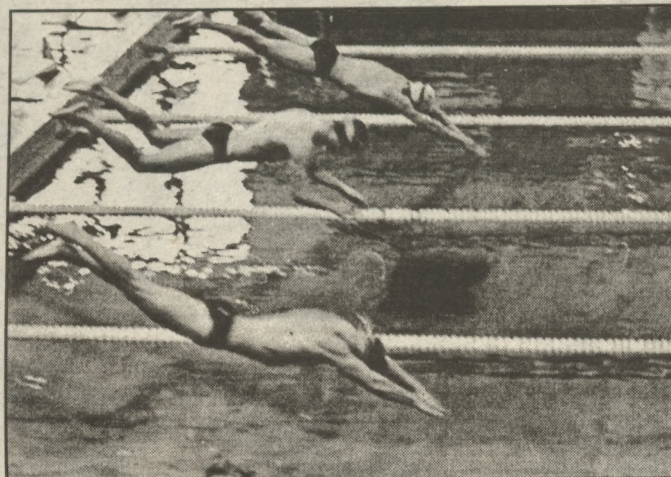
In preparation for the final meet, the team has gone through a period of intense practice sessions in which their bodies are basically broken down. With only a week left before the competition, the team has now reached the tapering down period. This is when practices turn from quantity to quality.

For the means' team, a 2-6 regular season record does not give them the credit that they deserve. In only their second season under full varsity status, the team has made great strides and is looking for a good showing at the championships.

Mary Washington and Catholic are the favorites, and the Salisbury men are looking to finish either third or fourth in the meet. This was a team goal that the guys expect to meet.

Senior freestyler Scott Wray is confident about his team's chances. "We're not expected to win, (the championships) but each person on the team adds up to a decent amount of points."

Freshman freestyler Jeff Waltz agrees. "With events such as the relays, the whole team should have somebody contributing." The two wins, considered a rarity before this season, should be the motivational key for the ninth ranked means'



team in the Mid-Atlantic region.

The womens' team had a solid regular season, finishing with a record of 5-5. The two teams favored to win on the womens' side at championships are also perennial swimming powerhouses, Mary Washington and Catholic. The women's team plans to place a some of their swimmers in the finals at the CAC meet.

Team captains Cindy Sotaski and Nikki Cunningham should score some points in the freestyle and butterfly, respectively. Sophomore Noreen Zuiderhof and Freshman Ali Dispenzeri are

also being counted on for points. Freshman breaststroke sensation Jen Herzig is hoping to keep her undefeated season in tact. She is considered the conference favorite in both the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

For first year coach Jill Stephenson, both teams have performed better than expected. "This is a great team. It's not like any other team I've had. As time goes on, they continue to improve, and hoping they'll do even better in the championships."

The biggest reason for the team's success could be the arrival of Coach Stephenson. Swimmers have showered praise on her, calling her the team's "savior." Waltz admits that "She's a blessing, everyone who's not on the swim team could never understand how great she's been for us." Of all Coach Stephenson's supporters, Wray may be the biggest.

"She is the best coach I've ever had. This was a rebuilding year and she has turned the swim team into a great program. She did all this without the benefit of recruiting, which is why the future looks so promising."

Both teams went above and beyond expectations this season. The means' team, although losing a talented group of seniors, has laid the foundation for a great future. The womens' team views this year as a learning experience in the hopes of reaching the ranks of the elite. Only two seniors are leaving and the time appears to be right for success.

This weekend's championships will help the Swimming Gulls maintain the growing respect they hold in the conference. A good showing will continually help build the program into the ranks of the elite along with Catholic and Mary Washington.

Rugby looking for continued success this season

Matt Condon
Flyer Staff Writer

Last season the Salisbury State University men's rugby team had one goal, to capture the division II championship title. Their attitude was that if they set high goals then they would do everything possible to accomplish them. That goal was translated into a reality as the mens rugby team defeated UMBC for the Division II championship.

Many sports teams would, upon reaching such lofty goals, choose to dwindle in complacency, content with knowing they have nothing left to accomplish. The SSU men's rugby team is not that type of team. They have been invited to compete for a national title this spring, a challenge they are willing and ready to accept. The team will play nine other matches this spring, including two tournaments, the Rites of Spring Tournament and the President's Cup Tournament, which is held at Washington College.

"We were very successful last season and we are going to carry on playing on that same level. This season our goal is to win our first ever national championship," said SSU rugby Tom Huntington.

The team has many players returning from last season's team but one key player missing this spring is Mike Stevens, who graduated in the fall. Stevens' physical presence was felt by teammates and opponents each time he took the field and will be missed this semester.

However, this team has never made excuses and the remaining players are sure to find ways to maintain their superb level of play. The team has also tried to attract new players to the team by putting out flyers and by talking to students around campus. The team holds practice every Tuesday and Thursday from 4 until 6 p.m. on the intramural field, which is open to all students who are interested.

"Our team is always looking for guys to come out to practices. Everyone who comes to practice gets to play in a game and all the hard

work we put in at practice pays off in the end," said SSU rugby Brad Marsh.

The team will face three opponents at home to open the season, they are St. Mary's College, Loyola College and Towson State University. Then the team will travel to face Old Dominion University and the Virginia Military Institute on March 16. Then the team will leave to play for the national title, meeting St. Joseph's College in the quarterfinals on March 23. If they are successful they will have to wait until the following weekend to play for the national championship.

The season will not end there, instead the team will play at least five more matches including a home match versus UMBC on April 13. This schedule may seem rigorous, but the team's mentality is simple, the more matches they play the better they will become. The team's motto throughout last season is still true for the spring, "The train just keeps on rolling through," hopefully SSU's team will roll all the way to its first national championship.

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Men's Basketball

Casey Musick poured in a career high 43 points for the Gulls in a thrilling double overtime win over Mary Washington Saturday in Fredericksburg, Va by the score of 122-114. Musick went 15 for 27 from the field and pulled down seven rebounds. Junior guard John Derichie scored 18 points and grabbed nine boards for the Gulls. The win ups the Sea Gull record to 14-8 overall and 10-2 in the CAC.

Women's Basketball

Senior sensation Amy Fenzel had a game high 22 points and 22 rebounds to boost the Salisbury State women's basketball team to an 81-68 victory over Mary Washington. SSU upped their conference record to 9-3 with the win and their overall to 14-7. Dominique Lisa added 14 points for the Lady Gulls.

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Crime Beat



1/28 Arson - A trash container was set on fire in the 4-D cluster of Chester Hall.

1/12-1/13 Theft - A credit card was reported stolen from the University Center.

1/30 Assault & Battery - A man reported that he was struck by an object, possibly a BB gun pellet, while in the area of the Quad near Pocomoke Hall.

1/30 - 1/31 Theft - A CD player and camera were reported stolen from an office on the 2nd floor of the University Center.

1/31 Assault & Battery - A resident of Choptank Hall reported being struck by an object, possibly a stone from a sling shot, while in front of Pocomoke Hall.

1/30 Assault & Battery - A resident of Pocomoke Hall reported being struck by an unknown object while in front of Pocomoke Hall.

12/23 - 1/30 Theft - A resident of Dogwood Village reported that a seat and head light were removed from a bike while stored in the

basement of the Administrative Services Building.

2/4 False Fire Alarm/Vandalism - The fire alarm was activated in Choptank hall because someone discharged a fire extinguisher on the 1st floor. The extinguisher activated smoke detector, which activated the building alarm. All residents had to evacuate.

1/29 - 1/30 Hit & Run - A resident of Severn Hall reported that the rear bumper of a vehicle was struck while parked in the Chesapeake Lot.

1/29 - 1/31 Theft - A resident of Choptank hall reported that a bicycle was stolen from the Choptank bike barn.

1/31 - 2/1 Theft - A resident of Chester reported that a bike was stolen from the Chester bike barn.

2/3 -2/5 Telephone Misuse - A resident of Choptank Hall reported receiving several annoying and unwanted phone calls.

2/5 Theft - A resident of Manokin Hall reported

that a bookbag and contents were stolen from the hallway outside of the 2nd floor gym in Maggs Gym. Later the bookbag was returned with all items except a watch.

2/2 Vandalism/Act of Intolerance - A bulletin board on the 3rd floor of

Choptank Hall was tampered with.

2/5 - 2/6 Telephone Misuse - An office in Holloway reported receiving an annoying and unwanted phone call.



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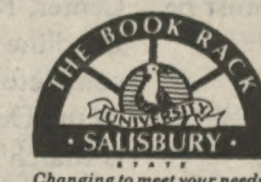
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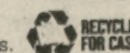
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Campus Recreation

Single elimination racquetball tournament will begin on March 4. The entry deadline with a mandatory captains meeting will be February 21 at 4PM. For more information contact Paul Asplen in the Campus Recreation Office at 543-6350. Entry forms may be picked up Monday - Friday 8-5 PM in the Campus Recreation Office.

AMERICORPS*NCCC ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 1996-1997 SERVICE YEAR

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NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

The Department of Nursing in the Henson School of Science and Technology announces the following Nursing Scholarship for the

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For further information and scholarship applications please contact the Department of Nursing at (410) 543-6401 and ask for Tina S. Collins, M.S., R.N., Scholarship Coordinator.

SENIORS - GRADUATION APPLICATION DEADLINE

All undergraduate students who plan to complete degree requirements in December 1996 or Winter Term 1997 must complete an Application for Diploma in the Office of the Registrar by Friday, March 1, 1996. The university no longer requires a graduation fee.

All applications must be approved by the chairperson of the student's major department. The purpose of this early application deadline is to allow time for each senior's records to be reviewed in detail prior to their last semester of attendance at the University, and this insures that students are aware of their academic status early enough to make any last minute

adjustments in their plan of study.

Please return your completed Application for Diploma to the Office of the Registrar, Holloway hall 145, or mail it to the Office of the Registrar, Salisbury State university, 1101 Camden Avenue, Salisbury, Maryland 21801.

American Association of University Women Scholarship

The Salisbury Branch of the American Association of University Women offers a \$1,000 scholarship each year to an SSU Junior or Senior woman attending full-time who is a resident of the Eastern Shore of Maryland and is in need of financial assistance. Applications may be obtained from the Financial Aid Office in Room 2443, Holloway Hall, or the Dean of Students Office, Guerrieri University Center, Room 212. Deadline for return of completed applications to the Dean of Students is March 1, 1996.

ATTENTION MAY GRADUATES

Commencement Exercises will be held on Saturday, May 18, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. in the Wicomico Youth & Civic Center. Detailed information will be

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Easter Seals has integrated Child Care Openings

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For additional information, please contact Cindi Pawlikowski at (302) 324-4444.

STUDENT TEACHING APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 1996

Applications for student teaching placements for Fall 1996 are due by Friday, April 1, 1996. The official application form may be obtained in

either Caruthers Hall 126 or 148. Upon completion, forms are to be returned to Caruthers Hall 126. Please make certain you have had a tuberculin test within the past year, and that a copy of the results are attached to your application.

Information on School District Options for Placement is listed on the bulletin board in Caruthers Hall 126.

SSU Outdoor Club

The Salisbury State University Outdoor Club has a variety of affordable and exciting trips planned for the spring semester. All those interested in hiking, canoeing, and the outdoors are invited to join. Membership dues are only \$5.

Our next weekend trip will take place on March 1-3. We will be spelunking (caving) near Franklin, WV in some of the best cave preserves in the county, exploring immense caves and crawling through endless mazes underground. This is always one of our most memorable trips of the year. We will also take a side trip to the impressive Cedar Rocks nearby.

The cost of this trip is only \$12; caving gear and camping equipment is provided. For more information or to sign up, come to our weekly meetings on Monday nights at 9pm in Nanticoke Room A of the Guerrieri University Center, or contact Annika Parr at 543-

2299.

SUMMER SEMESTER LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Applications are now being taken for the Department of Military Service Summer Leadership Training Program. This six-week school teaches the are of leadership and successful management. It is open to all students with a minimum of 50 credits at the end of the Spring Semester (to include Graduate students). Students will receive \$800.00 in pay and earn 6 elective credits. Additionally, all room and board are free and transportation is provided.

Contact Captain Tony Wenger at 543-6292 for more information. There is no obligation to ROTC or the Army for attending this course.

ARMY ROTC SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

2-3 Year Scholarships, worth up to \$12,00 per year in tuition, fees, and books, are now available through Army ROTC.

For more information, or an application form, contact Captain Tony Wenger at 543-6296. The application deadline is 1 March.

Philosophical Society

The first Philosophical Society meetings of the semester will be held Friday Feb. 23rd at 7:30pm in the

philosophy house. We will show a film followed by a discussion. All are welcome to attend this event. Contact Dr. Hatley in the Philosophy department for more information.

Educational Rights and Privacy Act Annual Notification

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 gives students the right to inspect and review educational records maintained by the University. Additionally, a student may request the amendment of a record that the student believes to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy. Students maintain the right of consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the records of the student. SSU will assume the right, under the provisions of this Act, to provide student directory information found in a students educational record without prior consent of the student. For such purposes, directory information is defined as the student's names, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of member of the athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, the most recent previous educational institutions attended and other similar information.

If for some reason, you do not want you directory information released, you may have your directory information "flagged". To accomplish this, you need to complete a form available through the Office of the Registrar or the Dean of Students. When you directory information is "flagged" the only mail you will receive from the university will be related to registration, billing, financial aid and graduation. (For example: Should your academic department request a listing of addresses, telephone numbers of majors, for whatever reason you name will not appear. Neither would you receive information from the Center for Personal and Professional Development.)

Student Health Insurance

There is no University mandated health insurance plan; however, students no longer covered under their parents' plan are encouraged to obtain coverage. A variety of brochures are available in the University Student Health Center.

Automatic Teller Machine (ATM)

Nations bank has installed an Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) on the campus outside the north side of the Guerrieri University Center. The ATM will accept MOST, CIRRUS, VISA,

MASTERCARD, HONOR AND AFFN cards. You may make withdrawals, transfers and receive account balance information. PLEASE NOTE: This ATM does not allow you to make deposits.

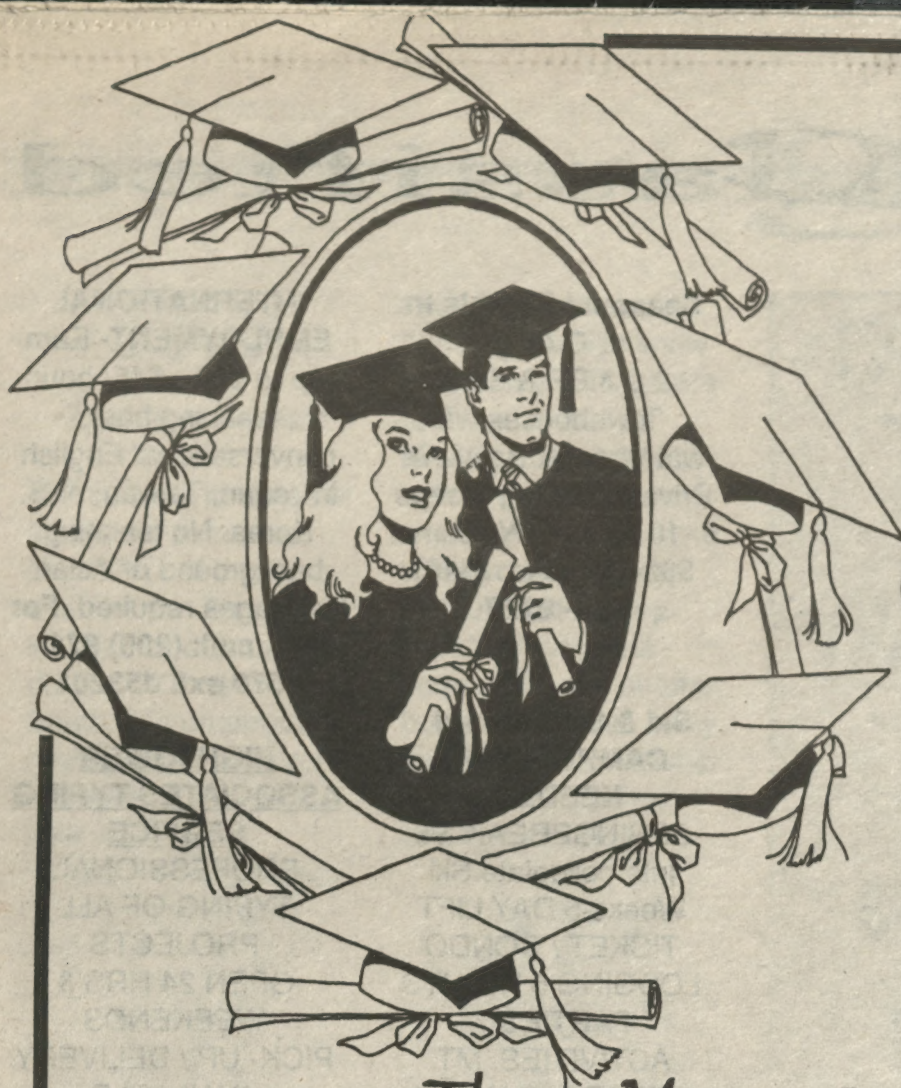
If you have a College Account at Nations Bank, your ATM transactions will be free of charge.

For more information on how to get a Nations Bank ATM card and how to open a college account with unlimited ATM use, please contact MS. Patricia Parker at the South Salisbury Branch at (410) 742-8651.

If you bank with a financial institutions other than Nations Bank, that institution may charge you for using this ATM.

Cycling Club

The Salisbury State University Cycling club is open to all students and faculty here at SSU with an interest in cycling. Both on and off road riders are welcome no matter what level rider you are. The club offers many trips throughout the semester for all those interested. If you like cycling then this club is for you! Come to our meetings at 8 p.m. on Monday nights in the Choptank room of the U.C.



MAY GRADUATION CENTER

*The May Graduation Center
will be held in the Book Rack
FEBRUARY 19 -23, 1996
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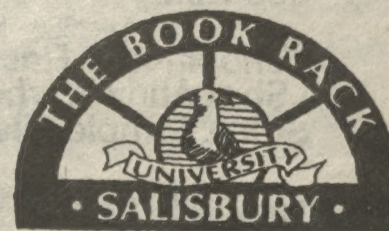
*This will be the time to order your
caps, gowns, announcements and
all other academic regalia for graduation.*

REMEMBER:
Graduation will be a ticketed event.

Store Hours
Mon-Thurs 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
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